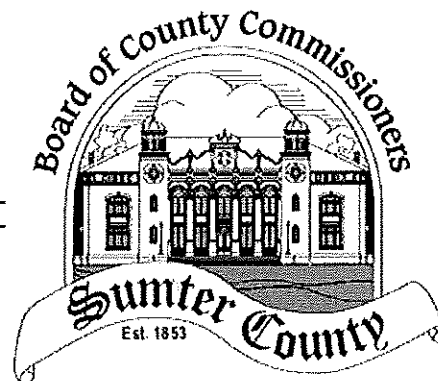


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***Financial Services Department***

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# Memo

**To:** Tourist Development Council Committee Members  
**From:** Tina Chavez, Financial Services  
**Date:** October 22, 2010  
**RE:** Festival in the Park (Dade Battlefield) – March 19, 2011

Application Due: October 8, 2010

Submittal Date: July 27, 2010

Prior TDC Funds Received: \$ 0.00 (New Event)

Request amount: \$9,200 for Advertisement

Recommended Funding: \$9,200

Required Matching; Yes 50/25/25 with sponsorship funds and volunteer hours (in kind)

Application Complete: N/A (submitted prior to adoption of 10/1/10 grant guidelines)

Missing items: N/A

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# Sumter County TDC Grant Application 2011



**Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.**  
**“Festival in the Park”**  
**March 19, 2011**



Submitted by  
Dade Battlefield Society, Inc  
In partnership with the Florida Park Service  
August, 2010





# DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC.

7200 CR 603 • Bushnell, FL 33513 • Ph: (352) 793-4781

[www.dadebattlefield.com](http://www.dadebattlefield.com)

September 12, 2010

Dear TDC Committee:

The Dade Battlefield Society, Inc. appreciates the opportunity to apply for a TDC grant to assist us with advertising a brand new event, "Festival in the Park."

We have enlisted one well-known bluegrass group from Nashville, Tennessee.

We have tried to follow the guidelines explicitly. We must make you aware of one recommended criteria that we cannot fulfill — the requirement that the TDC be named as additional insured on our insurance policy. Our event is covered under the State of Florida liability policy. The event is held on state property and all participants/volunteers are covered by workmen's compensation as well. There seems to be no problem with this since you have approved advertising grants for our annual reenactment.

Again, we thank you for your consideration of our application and invite you to attend our Festival in the Park, March 19, 2011.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. If given enough notice, I can attend a BOCC meeting or the TDC grant review meeting. Thank you again for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Jean McNary

Board member/executive assistant  
Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.

## GRANT APPLICATION

Applicants will need to submit an original and fifteen (15) copies of this completed grant application, as well as all supporting documentation, for consideration by the Sumter County Tourist Development Council. Please make sure your application is signed and attach the following information, if applicable:

- Charter, Articles of Incorporation, By-laws;
- Minutes of meeting or resolution authorizing officers to apply for grant funds
- IRS determination letter of non-profit status
- List of current officers and board members indicating terms and salaries
- Organizational chart
- Copy of financial statement or 990 from the most recent fiscal year

Organization name: Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.

Address: 7200 CR 603 Bushnell, FL 33513

Contact person: Jean McNary

Title: Board Member, DBS

Telephone: 352-567-2596      Cell# 561-398-5253      work: 813-794-6100

Fax: 813-794-6191(work)

Event/Project Name: Dade's Battle Reenactment

Event date: Saturday, March 19, 2011

Category  
(check one)

☐ Sponsorship  
☐ Special Events  
☐ Events  
☒ Advertising/Promotion

Amount Requested \$9,200.00

Intended Use of Funds: Print advertising in major newspapers and listing in tourist guide

If the entire request cannot be funded, can the project be restructured for less funding? If so, please indicate minimum amount necessary. If not, please explain. Yes, we can restructure the request by cutting the size of the ads and the runs. \$6000.00

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In the space below, please describe your organization in the following areas:

- Your organization's goals and objectives --*See attachment A.*
- Your target audiences – *We wish to target families, and to pull in the those who follow the Florida winter Blue Grass/ Country music events which will include tourists and seasonal visitors to Sumter County and the state.*
- Services your organization provides – *See attachment Background Information*
- Community need for the services your organization provides – *See attachment Background information.*
- How Sumter county residents and visitors will benefit from your project and how you will evaluate your effectiveness – *This event is good family entertainment. The Sumter County will benefit economically from the visitors, some of whom will spend the night and many who will eat in local restaurants. There may be vendor participation from local residents. We will evaluate our effectiveness by the number of attendees we draw. We hope to attract from 1000 – 2000 people throughout the day.*
- Other sources of funding that your organization can provide to match the funds requested from the Tourist Development Council. *The State of Florida will match in-kind work hours to set up for the festival. The Dade Battlefield Society will also match the funding with in-kind volunteer hours and \$6,000.00 basic funding to pay the performers and provide services like port-o-lets.*
- How you will monitor expenditures of grant funds. *The grant committee will review the expenditures and issue payment.*

## **PROJECT/EVENT DETAILS**

In the space below, please give details on your project or event so the Tourist Development Council can evaluate the economic impact on the county. Include in your narrative projects on numbers of attendees, hotel rooms needed, restaurant meals to be consumed and your publicity and advertising plans.

*The event, " Festival in the Park will feature some well-known bands: Mike Havens and Blue Mountain Grass Band; Glenn Snow and the Snowmen; and the Lake Panasoffkee Off Key Players. The group from Nashville will be vacationing in Sumter County at this time. These groups are well known and one is a local group. This event will be a fundraiser for the park and the Society. We hope to develop it into an annual event and perhaps schedule it for 2 days in the future. See estimated impact statement and Attachment B (advertising plan).*

## **PROJECT BUDGET RECAP**

### **INCOME**

Tourist Development Fund Request

Total Request **\$9,200.00**

Matching fund sources

Dade Battlefield Historic State Park \$ 2,000.00

Dade Battlefield Society, Inc. \$ 6,000.00

Other Park Support 20

Total matching funds \$8,000.00

Other income sources

Entrance Fee donations \$15,000.00 (gate estimate for 2011)

Volunteer Hours (in-kind) \$ 2,800.00 (20 volunteers, 20 hrs)

Total matching funds \$ 17,800.00

**TOTAL INCOME \$25,800.00**

### **EXPENSES**

Please indicate which items will utilize TDC funds

☐ *Florida Event Planner* \$ 600.00

☐ *Orlando Sentinel* \$ 2800.00

☐ *Tampa Tribune* \$ 2112.00

☐ *St. Petersburg Times* \$ 1840.00

☐ *Citrus County Chronicle* \$ 1000.00

☐ *Sumter Sun* \$ 848.00

☐ *North Florida Bluegrass Association* \$ N/C

☐ *National Bluegrass Association* \$ N/C

**TOTAL EXPENSES \$9,200.00**

**These costs may vary by the time of the event and funds might have to be shifted around.**

**CERTIFICATIONS**

I have reviewed this GRANT APPLICATION from the Sumter County Tourist Development Council. I am in full agreement with the information contained herein. To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this Application and its attachments is accurate and complete.

BY: Steven F. Reinhardt (SEAL)  
Organization Leader

ATTEST: Jessica M. Hoage  
Secretary

Considered this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010, at a duly called meeting of the Sumter County Tourist Development Council. By motion duly recorded, this funding request is hereby:

\_\_\_\_\_ Approved in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Denied

SUMTER COUNTY  
TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary

# Dade Battlefield Society, Incorporated

## Statement of Accomplishments and Goals

### July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

#### Accomplishments

- Applied for and received a Tourist Development Council grant for advertising our reenactment weekend events in *Florida Monthly Magazine*, *The Orlando Sentinel*, and *The St. Petersburg Times* and *The Tampa Tribune*.
- Acquired sponsorship from *Florida Monthly Magazine* and The Sumter County Historical Society for advertising to increase public awareness of our reenactment weekend events.
- Planned and conducted a successful 29<sup>th</sup> reenactment of Dade's Battle.
- Maintained low admission price to encourage families to attend the reenactment.
- Supported World War II Day with registration assistance, supplies purchasing, and parking supervision.
- Planned and advertised a 4<sup>th</sup> Swap Meet for period reenactors and collectors.
- Increased the number of vendors at the Swap Meet.
- Improved Society website, including an increase in load handling ability.
- Created Facebook Fan site and PayPal options in order to increase communications with members with the general public.
- Created new forms to enhance safety procedures and protections from liability.
- Updated member, reenactment participant, and newsletter data bases.
- Updated a number of forms.
- Continued discussions with potential promoters of a bluegrass festival proposed for the Park.
- Society members participated in events at Fort Foster, Fort Cooper, and Paynes Creek.
- Society members displayed information at the Bushnell Fall Festival.
- Board members attended meetings of the Sumter County Commission, the Sumter County Chamber of Commerce, and the Sumter County Historical Society, as well as a lecture on the Archaeology of the Seminoles at Silver River State Park.
- Board members participated in the annual state conference of CSOs and State Park Managers.
- Established contacts with the CSO of Fort Cooper State Park.
- Initiated a new partnership with The Pioneer Florida Museum to set up circa 1835 encampments and educational talks at their Annual Pioneer Days Festival.
- Assisted the Park with cost of repairs.
- Rented portalets for the Park.
- Purchased new sound equipment for use at the Park.
- Purchased new tables for use at the Park.
- Purchased Seminole interpretive costumes for the Park.



## Goals

- Maintain at least \$16,000 in financial reserves to guarantee the production of the next reenactment.
- Locate and secure permanent parking for the annual reenactment.
- Pursue grant funding and corporate sponsorship of Society activities.
- Expand advertising into larger market areas in order to attract more tourists.
- Enhance the authenticity of the reenactment.
- Increase the number of reenactor participants.
- Encourage reenactment participation of The Seminole Tribe of Florida.
- Add activities in order to increase interest in the reenactment.
- Add activities designed to increase interest in the Park.
- Increase the involvement of local people, organizations, and governments in order to support the reenactment and to help offset increasing production costs.
- Establish reenactor visiting programs for schools and service clubs.
- Assist with writing and printing of an educational activity book for use with school groups.
- Update and replace the interpretive markers on the self-guided trail through the battlefield.
- Assist with placing county historical markers at significant Second Seminole War sites.
- Explore, with the Florida Department of Parks and Recreation, the possibility of moving the Park Visitor Center to another location away from the battlefield.

# Sumter County Tourist Development Council Grant Request

## Background Information:

### Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.

The Dade Battlefield Society was founded as a CSO (Citizen Support Organization) by the local community in 1987. The Society is to function as a support group and association to Dade Battlefield Historic State Park in accordance with Florida Administrative Code S16D-2.01. The Society exists to assist the Department of Environmental Protection with the preservation and conservation of the site and property which include structures, grounds and recreational facilities. The Society also is interested in increasing public awareness of Dade Battlefield and local heritage found at this site through docent programs, social functions, educational activities, recreational activities, and festivals, etc.(by-laws). The Society has produced a video about Dade's Battle and distributed it to all school systems free of charge in the State of Florida. The video, *This Land These Men*, is now available for sale in a 12 minute version and a the full length 26 minute version. The Dade Battlefield Society operates exclusively for charitable purposes.

See Attachment A for detailed list of goals and objectives.

### Services Your Organization Provides:

The Dade Battlefield Society CSO plans and produces the annual battle reenactment. Many of us volunteer throughout the year to help with the operation of the park and special programs. For example, the first weekend of August WWII reenactors come to the park for their annual WWII Day. The Society has in the past helped park personnel, as well as set up a fundraiser booth selling drinks and Society memberships, etc. This year we are assisting in the promotion of this aspect of the park's history. This event will be held August 7. We have also assisted in educational talks to teachers and provided them with classroom materials. As mentioned before, one of our biggest accomplishments and service to visitors and educators, was the production of the video *This Land, These Men* which was provided for all public schools in Florida at no cost. Each school system was given the right to copy as many tapes as they wanted for individual classroom use.

The Society has been a member of the local Sumter County Chamber of Commerce for the past few years. We have had a booth at the County Fair to advertise the park and the reenactment. We have also participated in educational conferences (Florida Council of the Social Studies) and showed parts of our video to promote the reenactment and the park. The Society promoted the reenactment at the Bushnell Fall Festival.

We have purchased equipment to assist park personnel in interpreting the 1830's period to visitors and groups that come to the battlefield.

#### Community Need:

The Society, through funds raised, has helped provide the park lodge with new tables and blinds, refrigerator, and paid for repairs to equipment which certainly benefits the local community whose various groups and families use this building regularly.

The Society will also be making improvements to the park for the music festival. We will be spending between \$1300.00 – 1500.00 to add electrical power to the gazebo and making other improvements to the park. The local community will certainly benefit from the expanded power source for any event they would like to hold in the park.

The park itself has a direct effect on the local community economically by employing local residents and drawing visitors to Sumter County. These visitors shop, eat, buy gas, and sometimes spend the night. The park is currently working on adding scheduled new interpretive programs to educate the general public as well as school children.

## Print Advertising Plan: 2011 Festival in the Park March 19, 2011

**Orlando Sentinel**

2 Quarter Page b&amp;w ads in Friday Calendar (3/18/11)

Mechanical Size 4.915" wide x 5.25" deep

1 Quarter Page b&amp;w ad in Sunday Travel &amp; Arts (3/14/11)

Mechanical Size 4.915" wide x 10.5" deep

**Total: \$ 2,800.00*****St. Petersburg Times***

¼ Sunday March 14 Main Section

\$920.00

¼ Thursday March 17 Weekend

\$920.00**\$1840.00*****Florida Monthly Magazine Event Planner***

January – July 2011 ½ page ad in Florida Event Planner

**\$600.00*****Tampa Tribune***

3x8 black and white Friday, March 18 Friday Extra

**\$2,112.00*****Citrus County Chronicle* and their outlets****\$1,000.00**(Includes the *Sumter County Times*)***Sumter Sun*****\$848.00****Grant Total: \$9,200.00**

## ESTIMATED IMPACT STATEMENT

This form must accompany all grant requests

1. Please provide a detailed description of the Event/Project for which funding is requested: Festival in the Park will be a one day event held at Dade Battlefield Historic State Park. There will be 3 or 4 bluegrass groups playing from 10am until 5pm, Saturday, March 19, 2011.

2. Overall Anticipated Event Attendance:

We estimate that the attendance will be approximately 3000. Bluegrass festivals are popular events and there is a following for this type of music. There is also no other bluegrass festival in the West Central Florida area that we know of in March.

3. Describe the estimated impact that your Event/Project will have on tourism. Detail anticipated number of overnight stays. Include additional relevant information i.e. impact on retail establishments i.e. restaurants, retail stores, etc.

The Festival in the Park is a brand new event that will be held on one day. The Dade Battlefield Society can have the local motels and RV parks help us with the information to put the data together, and we most certainly expect this statistic to increase if we go to a 2 day event.

Festival attendees will be stamped upon entrance to the festival so they can come and go. There will only be a limited amount of food for sale, so many will probably want to go to local restaurants for meals, especially since the event ends at 5pm.

4. Please explain how your organization plans to measure event/project results. Include details on the methodology that will be used to collect data.

We can have the motels and RV parks record or code their registers and collect the data from them later. We have done this before when with our annual battle reenactment.

# State of Florida



## Department of State

I certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC., a corporation organized under the Laws of the State of Florida, filed on June 8, 1987, as shown by the records of this office.

The document number of this corporation is N21028.

Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida,  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
8th day of June, 1987.



A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "George Firestone".

George Firestone  
Secretary of State

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC.

The undersigned incorporators, desiring to form a not for profit corporation under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the laws of the State of Florida, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation in accordance with the laws of the United States of America and the State of Florida. This is a nonprofit corporation organized solely for general charitable purposes, pursuant to the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE I

Name and Location

The name of this corporation shall be DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC., and it shall operate at CR 512, Bushnell, Florida. The mailing address for said corporation shall be P. O. Box 547 Bushnell, Florida 33513.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

The purposes of this corporation shall be:

- A. To function as a support group and association to Dade Battlefield State Historic Site in accordance with Florida Administrative Code §16D-2.01.
- B. To assist the State of Florida Department of Natural Resources with the preservation and conservation of the site and property which include the structures, grounds, and recreational facilities.
- C. To increase public awareness of Dade Battlefield and local heritage found at this site, through docent programs, social functions, and educational activities, recreational activities, festivals, etc.
- D. To operate exclusively for charitable purposes, and in furtherance of such goals it is authorized to accept, hold, administer, invest and disburse for charitable purposes such funds and other property, real, personal or mixed, as may from time to time be given, bequeathed, devised, sold or leased to it, absolutely or in trust, by any other individual, individuals, firm or corporation for such objects and purposes, or any of them, and for no other purposes; to receive gifts and give and make financial and other types of contributions and assistance to charitable organizations; to receive any property, real, personal or mixed, in trust, under the terms of any wills, deeds of trust, or other trust instruments, for the foregoing purposes, and in administering the same, to carry out the direction and exercise the powers contained in the trust instrument under which the property is received,

including the expenditure of the principal as well as the income for one or more such purposes authorized or directed in the trust instrument under which it is received; to receive, take title to, hold and use the proceeds and income of stocks, bonds, obligations or other securities of any corporation or corporations, domestic or foreign, but only for the foregoing purposes; and in general to do all things that may appear necessary and useful in accomplishing the purposes hereinabove set forth. This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry out propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

E. To carry on any and all activities permitted to a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida as may be helpful or appropriate for the achievement of the foregoing goals and purposes; provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any activity which would be inconsistent with its classification as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, or any equivalent section of the Internal Revenue Code in effect at any time; but if at any time the corporation be deemed to be a private foundation, it shall not, as provided in Section 508(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, fail to require its income for each taxable year to be distributed at such time and in such manner as to not subject the corporation to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time.

F. To have and exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under the nonprofit corporation law of the State of Florida by law may now or hereafter have or exercise.

#### ARTICLE III

##### Term

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

RANDALL N.  
PHORNTON  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
ST OFFICE BOX 58  
KE PANASOFFER,  
FLORIDA 33538  
904/793-4040



#### ARTICLE IV

##### Members

Membership of the corporation shall be open to any persons desiring to promote the goals of the corporation. Members shall be admitted to the corporation upon application to the Board of Directors in the manner prescribed in the Bylaws. All individuals named as officers or trustees of the corporation shall be entitled to become members in the manner as provided in the Bylaws.

#### ARTICLE V

The name and residence of the Incorporators of the corporation are as follows:

Virginia S. Bell  
P. O. Box 547  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Marsha Woodard  
Rt. 3, Box 508  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Rebecca C. Thornton  
P. O. Box 58  
Lake Panasoffkee, Florida 33538

Bobby J. Clemons, Sr.  
724 E. Seminole  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Elder Lott C. Lyons  
P. O. Box 1114  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Martin Steele  
Rt. 2, Box 966 A  
Webster, Florida 33597

Franklin A. Bell, Jr.  
P. O. Box 547  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

Janet I. McIntosh  
Rt. 3, Box 202 C  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

#### ARTICLE VI

##### Officers

Section 1. Officers. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 2. Election. Officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at an annual meeting and shall take office at the beginning of the fiscal year immediately following their election and serve until their successors are elected and installed.

Section 3. The names of the persons who are to serve as corporate officers until the first meeting of the Board of Directors are:

Virginia S. Bell - President

Bobby J. Clemons, Sr. - Vice President

Marsha Woodard - Secretary

Janet I. McIntosh - Treasurer

#### ARTICLE VII

##### Board of Directors

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall be the Executive Board of this corporation and shall have general supervision, management and control of the business, affairs and activities of this corporation, subject, however, to other articles of these Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws. The initial Board of Directors shall be comprised of not less than three nor more than ten members who shall serve until the first election thereof. The Board of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time and any vacancies may be filled by a majority vote of those members of the Board of Directors present at any regular meeting or at any special meeting duly called for that purpose provided a quorum of the Board is present.

Section 2. The names and addresses of the members of the initial Board of Directors shall be as follows:

Virginia S. Bell <sup>VP</sup>  
P. O. Box 547  
Bushnell, Florida 33513

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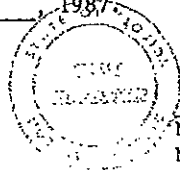
Janet I. McIntosh  
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STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF SUMTER

Before me, a Notary Public, duly authorized in the state and county aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Virginia S. Bell, Marsha Woodard, Rebecca C. Thornton, Bobby J. Clemons, Sr., Elder Lott C. Lyons, Martin Steele, Franklin A. Bell, Jr., Janet I. McIntosh, to me known to be the persons who have executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed these Articles of Incorporation.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the state and county named above this

15th day of May, 1987



Marie Register  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCEPTANCE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT

I, RANDALL N. THORNTON, whose street address is County Road 470, Lake Panasoffkee, Florida 33538 and whose mailing address is P. O. Box 58, Lake Panasoffkee, Florida 33538, hereby accept the herein designation as registered agent of this corporation.

Randall N. Thornton  
Randall N. Thornton

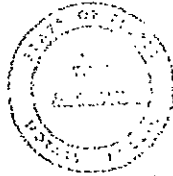
STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF SUMTER

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, an officer duly authorized in the State and County aforesaid to take acknowledgments, personally appeared RANDALL N. THORNTON, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Acceptance of Designation of Registered Agent, as registered

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ATTORNEY AT LAW  
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agent, and he acknowledged before me that he executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the County and State last aforesaid,  
this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1987.



MY COMMISSION EXP. SEP 28, 1993

Vami Register  
Notary Public, State of Florida

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**BY-LAWS**

**OF**

**DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC.**

## **Article One.**

### **Organization**

1. The name of this organization shall be Dade Battlefield Society, Inc., which, hereinafter, shall be referred to as the "Society".
2. The Society shall have a seal.
3. The Society may, at its pleasure, by a vote of the membership body, change its name.

## **Article Two.**

### **Purposes**

The following are the purposes for which the Society has been organized:

1. To function as a support group and association to Dade Battlefield State Historic Site in accordance with Florida Administrative Code S16D-2.01.
2. To assist the State of Florida Department of Natural Resources with the preservation and conservation of the site and property which include the structures, grounds and recreational facilities.
3. To increase public awareness of Dade Battlefield and local heritage found at this site, through docent programs, social functions, and educational activities, recreational activities, festivals, etc..
4. To operate exclusively for charitable purposes, and, in furtherance of such goals, it is authorized to accept, hold, administer, invest and disburse for charitable purposes such funds and other property, real, personal or mixed, as may from time to time be given, bequeathed, devised, sold or leased to it, absolutely or in trust, by any other individual, individuals, firm or corporation for such objects and purposes, or any of them, and for no other purposes; to receive gifts and give and make financial and other types of contributions and assistance to charitable organizations; to receive any property, real, personal or mixed, in trust, under the terms of any wills, deeds of trust, or other trust instruments, for the foregoing purposes, and in administering the same, to carry out the direction and exercise the powers contained in the trust instrument under which the property is received, including the expenditure of the principal as well as the income for one or more such purposes authorized or directed in the trust instrument under which it is received; to receive, take title to, hold and use the proceeds and income of stocks, bonds, obligations or other securities of any corporation or corporations, domestic or foreign, but only for the foregoing purposes; and in general to do all things that may appear necessary

and useful in accomplishing the purposes hereinabove set forth. This corporation shall not, as a substantial part of its activities, carry out propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation; nor shall it participate or intervene (by publication or distribution of any statements or otherwise) in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

5. To carry on any and all activities permitted to a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida as may be helpful or appropriate for the achievement of the foregoing goals and purposes; provided, however, that the corporation shall not engage in any activity which would be inconsistent with its classification as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, or any equivalent section of the Internal Revenue Code in effect at any time; but if at any time the corporation be deemed to be a private foundation, it shall not, as provided in Section 508(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, fail to require its income for each taxable year to be distributed at such time and in such manner as to not subject the corporation to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time; engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time, make any investments in such manner as to subject the corporation to tax under Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended from time to time.
6. To have and exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under the non-profit corporation law of the State of Florida by law may now or hereafter have or exercise.

### **Article Three.**

#### **Membership**

Membership in this Society shall be open to all who desire to promote the goals of the corporation. Members shall be admitted to the corporation upon application to the Board of Directors and membership shall be open to all regardless of age, sex, color, religion, national origin or handicap.

## Article Four.

### Meetings

1. The annual membership meeting of this Society shall be held on the second Tuesday of June, each and every year except if such a day be a legal holiday, then, and in that event, the Board of Directors shall fix the day but it shall not be more than two weeks from the date fixed by these By-Laws. The Secretary shall cause to be mailed to every member in good standing at his address as it appears in the membership roll book of this Society a notice telling the time and place of such annual meeting.
2. Regular meetings of the Society shall be held at least quarterly. The presence of not less than ten (10) members shall constitute a quorum and shall be necessary to conduct the business of this Society, but a lesser number may adjourn the meeting for a period of not more than two weeks from the date scheduled by these By-Laws and the Secretary shall cause a notice of this scheduled meeting to be sent to all those members who were not present at the meeting originally called. A quorum as herein before set forth shall be required at any adjourned meeting.
3. Special meetings of this Society may be called by the President when he deems it for the best interest of the Society. Notices of such meeting shall be mailed to all members at their addresses as they appear in the membership roll book at least two but not more than five days before the scheduled date set for such special meeting. Such notice shall state the reasons that such meeting has been called, the business to be transacted at such meeting and by whom called.
4. At the request of three members of the Board of Directors or seven members of the Society, the President shall cause a special meeting to be called but such request must be made in writing at least five days before the requested scheduled date.
5. No other business but that specified in the notice may be transacted at such special meeting without the unanimous consent of all present at such meeting.
6. The quarterly membership meetings shall not be deemed to be a special meeting of the membership for purposes of complying with special meeting notices.



## **Article Five.**

### **Voting**

1. At all meetings, except for the election of officers and directors, all votes shall be viva voce, except that for election of officers ballots shall be provided and there shall not appear any place on such ballot any mark or marking that might tend to indicate the person who cast such ballot.
2. At any regular or special meeting if a majority so requires, any question may be voted upon in the manner and style provided for election of officers and directors.
3. At all votes by ballot, the chairman of such meeting shall immediately, prior to the commencement of balloting, appoint a committee of three who shall act as "Inspectors of Election" and who shall at the conclusion of such balloting, certify in writing to the Chairman, the results and the certified copy shall be physically affixed in the minute book to the minutes of that meeting.
4. No inspector of election shall be a candidate for office or shall be personally interested in the question voted upon.

## **Article Six.**

### **Order of Business**

1. Roll Call
2. Reading of the minutes of the preceding meeting
3. Reports of Committees
4. Reports of Officers
5. Old and Unfinished Business
6. New Business
7. Good and Welfare
8. Adjournments

## Article Seven.

### Board of Directors and Officers

1. The business of this Society shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of ten (10) members together with the officers of this Society. At least one of the directors elected shall be a resident of the State of Florida and a citizen of the United States.
2. The Directors to be chosen for the ensuing year shall be chosen at the annual meeting of this Society in the same manner and style as the officers of this Society and they shall serve for a term of two (2) years.
3. The Board of Directors shall have the control and management of the affairs and business of this Society. Such Board of Directors shall only act in the name of the Society when it shall be regularly convened by its Chairman after due notice to all the directors of such meeting.
4. Five (5) of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum and the meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held regularly on a monthly basis unless waived by a majority of the Board.
5. Each director shall have one vote and such voting may not be done by proxy. The Board of Directors may make such rules and regulations covering its meetings as it may in its discretion determine necessary.
6. Vacancies in the said Board of Directors shall be filled by a vote of the majority of the remaining members of the Board of Directors for the balance of the year.
7. The President of the Society, by virtue of his office, shall be Chairman of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall elect from one of their number a secretary.
8. A director may be removed when sufficient cause exists for such removal. The Board of Directors may entertain charges against any director. A director may be represented by counsel upon any removal hearing. The Board of Directors shall adopt such rules as it may in its discretion consider necessary for the best interests of the Society for this hearing.
9. The Vice-President shall in the event of the absence or inability of the President to exercise his office become acting president of the Society with all the rights, privileges and powers as if he had been the duly elected president.
10. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and records of the Society in appropriate books. It shall be his duty to file any certificate required by any statute, federal or state. He shall

give and serve all notices to members of this Society. He shall be the official custodian of the records and seal of this Society. He may be one of the officers required to sign the checks and drafts of the Society. He shall present to the membership at any meetings any communication addressed to him as Secretary of the Society. He shall submit to the Board of Directors any communications which shall be addressed to him as Secretary of the Society. He shall attend to all correspondence of the Society and shall exercise all duties incident to the office of Secretary.

11. The Treasurer shall maintain care and custody of all monies belonging to the organization in accordance with the requirements of the Board Financial Policies, as set forth in **Article Nine**, hereinbelow. He shall cause to be deposited in a regular business bank or trust company a sum not exceeding \$35,000.00 and the balance of the funds of the Society shall be deposited in a savings bank except that the Board of Directors may cause such funds to be invested in such investments as shall be legal for a savings bank in the State of Florida. He must be one of the officers who shall sign checks or drafts of the Society. No special fund may be set aside that shall make it unnecessary for the Treasurer to sign the checks issued upon it. He shall render at stated periods as the Board of Directors shall determine a written account of the finances of the Society and such report shall be physically affixed to the minutes of the Board of Directors of such meeting. He shall exercise all duties incident to the office of Treasurer.
12. Officers shall, by virtue of their office, be members of the Board of Directors. No officer shall for reason of his office be entitled to receive any salary or compensation, but nothing herein shall be construed to prevent an officer or director for receiving any compensation from the Society for duties other than as a director or officer.

**Article Eight.            RESERVED**

**Article Nine.**

**Board Financial Policies**

**1.     Adoption of a Budget**

The Society shall adopt an annual budget, which will account for projected revenue and expenses for the upcoming year. This budget shall be adopted at the first board meeting of the fiscal year. The treasurer is authorized to approve expenditures and reimbursements in accordance with the budget.

**2.     Finance Committee**

The president shall appoint a finance committee, which will include the Treasurer and at least one board member. Additional members from either the board of directors or

membership may be appointed who have knowledge or experience with financial management. This committee shall be responsible for developing the annual budget, advising the board on investment policy, manage the Society's investment portfolio and recommend internal control policies for the handling of the Society's finances.

3. Audit Committee

If the Society is not required to have an audit performed in accordance with the policies of the Florida Park Service, the following procedure shall apply. Within 30 days of the close of the fiscal year, the president shall appoint an audit committee composed of the park manager or assistant park manager, and two board members who do not have signature authority or custody of the Society's funds. This committee shall review all expenditures and checks to insure that funds have been properly expended. This committee shall issue a report to the Board of Directors.

4. Approval of Non-budgeted Items

The treasurer shall approve any expenditures up to \$500.00, the president shall approve up to \$1,000.00, and the executive committee up to \$3,000.00, for direct support of park system activities. All other expenditures, which are not budgeted, must be approved by the board of directors.

5. Check Signing and Withdrawal of Funds

All funds received by the Society shall be deposited in the Society's designated financial institutions in a timely manner. All funds which are not immediately needed and are not earning interest, shall be invested in accordance with the investment policy established by the board. This is to maximize the Society's revenue.

6. Authority to Sign

All checks shall be signed by a designated officer who has been authorized by the board of directors. The designated officers may be include:

- a. President
- b. Treasurer
- c. Secretary
- d. Vice President

In addition, any checks issued over \$600.00, shall require two signatures, and any checks payable to any one of the above-named persons shall be signed by someone other than the payee.

7. Bonding

Each designated signatory with authority to withdraw funds shall be bonded. The cost to secure the aforementioned coverage shall be born by the Society. The amount of insurance coverage will be reviewed annually by the board or finance committee.

8. Quarterly Review

The finance committee shall, on a quarterly basis, review all expenditures in the amount of \$500.00, or more.

9. Check Review

If the treasurer has signatory authority and possession of the Society's checks, then he/she shall not receive the monthly bank statements. These statements shall be mailed to a board member appointed by the president and who does not have signatory authority. The statement may be sent to the park manager as an alternative if they are not authorized to sign checks. This person shall be responsible for reconciling the bank statements and for reviewing checks written on the account.

10. Payments and Reimbursements

- a. All disbursements for goods and services should be paid for by check.
- b. Minimal reimbursements may be made to staff and volunteers for documented expenditures. A written explanation should accompany a receipt of why other means of payment were not available. Prior board or park manager's approval is needed for amounts over \$50.00.
- c. Minimal reimbursements may be made to staff and volunteers for actual mileage driven for park, store or association business. Prior board approval or park management's approval is needed for reimbursements over \$50.00 of any kind.

11. Endowment

The Society shall establish a general endowment fund to support the general purposes of the organization. The principal is to be invested in a reasonably prudent manner in accordance with the investment policy as prescribed from time to time by the board, and the income (defined as total return income) is to be used to support the Society's general purposes.

The Society may allow the creation of named endowments for purposes as a donor, and the Society may agree to be funded at such minimum levels as the finance committee shall from time to time set.

All funds of the Society, including restricted endowment funds, shall be commingled for investment purposes, regardless of whether they are restricted or unrestricted, named or unnamed.

The board or its designated committee shall retain the right to dissolve the Society's endowments and use the principal for general purposes or for the restricted purposes contained in each endowment when, at the board's discretion, the purposes of the endowment can no longer be met or the organization's needs may so require.

## 12. Gift Acceptance

The Society reserves the right to decline any financial commitment, gift or bequest, as well as the right to determine how a gift will be credited and/or recognized.

All donations shall be unrestricted gifts unless (1) the donor indicates that he or she is willing to make a restricted gift only, or (2) the option of a restricted gift will otherwise significantly increase (or decrease) the chances of obtaining a gift from the donor.

All receipts from unrestricted bequests, annuities, charitable remainder trusts, or charitable led trusts shall become a part of the general endowment, unless the executive committee determines a particular unrestricted gift of the type enumerated in this paragraph should be deposited in a different account.

In drafting instruments for the gift of restricted funds to the Society, donors and their advisors shall be encouraged to use language that would permit application of the gift to a more general purpose, if, in the opinion of the board, the designated purpose is no longer feasible.

The Society will pay no commissions or finder's fees as consideration for directing a gift to the Society.

Prospective donors shall be strongly encouraged, in all cases, to consult with their own independent legal and/or tax advisors about proposed gifts, including tax and estate planning implications of the gifts. No representative of the Society or the Florida Park Service shall provide legal or tax advice to any donor or prospective donor.

Donors are responsible for obtaining their own appraisals for tax purposes of real property or tangible or intangible personal property being given to the Society. Prospective donors shall be responsible for their own legal, accounting, appraisal, transportation, and other fees.

The Society retains the right to obtain its own qualified appraisals of real property or tangible or intangible personal property being offered as a gift at its own expense.

The Society will acknowledge receipt of gifts of tangible personal or real property in accordance with IRS requirements and will sign any IRS form or other documents necessary for the donor to obtain a tax deduction for such gifts, so long as such acknowledgment does not entail valuing the gift.

Upon request, representatives of the Society may provide to the donor, sample bequest language for restricted and unrestricted gifts, to ensure that a bequest is properly designated..

All information about donors and prospective donors, including but not limited to their names, the names of their beneficiaries, the nature and amounts of their gifts, and the sizes of their estates will be kept strictly confidential by the Society and its representatives, unless the donor grants permission to release such information. All requests by donors for anonymity will be honored, except to the extent that the Society is legally required to disclose the identity of donors.

### 13. Borrowing Policy

From time to time it may be necessary for the Society to borrow funds from outside sources to fund operations and expansion. This will be necessary because of the seasonality of income from fees, donations, and sales, and due to major expansions or revisions of the Society's programs.

Funds are to be borrowed only as required to meet these needs, and borrowing is to be consistent with sound fiscal and management practices. Borrowing is not intended to make up for inadequate planning or spending above budgeted levels.

Borrowing funds should be done within the following guidelines:

- a. Borrowing should be within appropriate limits approved by the board prior to the time of borrowing.
- b. Amounts should be borrowed at the lower available interest rates. Where borrowing from individuals can be done at lower than current commercial rates, this may be done.

- c. Most borrowing will be done at short-term conditions due to the seasonal nature of income. Long-term borrowing will be done only if rates are favorable and amounts for short-term would be at the same minimum level.
- d. All instruments which will secure loans for the Society shall clearly state that neither the State of Florida or the Florida Park Service assumes any liability for the loan and that no state owned property or assets may be used to secure such loans.

#### 14. Gift Shop and Rental Operations

All financial transactions require a receipt with a duplicate retained for audit purposes. Where feasible, each teller should operate out of her/her own cash drawer. Tellers should be trained in the proper procedures for revenue collection and reconciliation of receipts to revenue. Tellers are responsible for reconciliation of their revenues and receipts. If totals are off by more than \$5, it is the teller's responsibility to research, document, and, if possible, correct any transaction errors. A written explanation should be included with the teller's receipts explaining what steps were taken to research and/or resolve the error(s).

#### 15. Key Controls

- a. Only individuals authorized by the Board of Directors shall handle store revenue and have access to store inventory.
- b. Safes shall be kept locked except when accessing to deposit or remove money. Safe combinations shall be changed at least annually.
- c. All movement of cash to and from the safe shall be documented on a "safe log".
- d. All cash transactions shall, for whatever purpose, have a receipt retained for audit purposes.
- e. All cash donations received shall have a receipt retained for audit purposes.
- f. Each teller shall be responsible for his/her collections, receipts and end-of-shift reconciliation.
- g. Any individual acting in the capacity of teller shall not prepare or have access to the bank deposits.
- h. The change fund shall not be used to make purchases of any type.
- i. No foreign checks or Canadian currency should be accepted.
- j. Credit card numbers provided by customers shall remain confidential. Written records of credit card numbers shall be attached to the corresponding receipt, if applicable, and shall be stored in a locked area whenever possible.



16. Security

Every reasonable security safeguard shall be used during the various stages of cash handling:

- a. When store is closed, doors and windows shall be locked.
- b. Areas used for cash counting and reconciliation should be screened from the public's view.
- c. The president and/or park manager shall maintain a list of individuals issued safe combinations and keys to the store or building.
- d. Cash drawers shall be periodically relieved of excess cash. President/Park Manager shall determine the monetary guidelines for their stores.

17. Inventory

An accurate record of store merchandise should be maintained.

- a. Inventory logs of store merchandise shall be maintained and reviewed annually.
- b. Receiving merchandise; when delivered, an employee or volunteer must verify goods received as listed on the packing slip. They should sign and date the slip to acknowledge receipt of delivery.
- c. After verification of receipt of goods, the packing slip and invoice shall be sent to the person with authority to obligate funds to process the invoice for payment. Payments should be made in a timely manner.
- d. Retain a copy of shipping papers as a basis for inventory records. Stores shall be inventoried at least annually. Two people shall conduct inventories whenever possible.

18. Bank Deposits

Revenue should be deposited at least weekly. A deposit should also be made through the last day of each month. Deposits should be made in numerical sequence and shall include all receipts since the prior deposit.

- a. The individual prepares the deposit slip from information provided by the teller's shift report or other appropriate report. The ACTUAL amount being deposited should be written on the slip so discrepancies can be noted, such as shortages and overages.

- b. Operations differ from bank to bank, however, if there are discrepancies between what the depositor has written and the bank's count, the bank will usually attach an advice of debit/credit to the deposit slip and indicate the reason. The advice slip should reflect an adjustment to the deposit, do not change the original deposit amount, simply make the adjustment.
- c. Deposits shall be made in a timely manner and should be deposited at the bank the same day it is taken from the park store.

## 19. Cash Handling

The park manager or board of directors shall assign work to achieve appropriate separation of duties; review work and take corrective actions; and provide training on procedures and practices.

- a. Cash received via mail for membership and special orders are endorsed as the mail is opened. Customers who pay with cash or check over the counter shall be issued a written receipt.
- b. Checks are logged and/or a tape is made of all receipts, added twice to confirm total deposit and grouped by cash and check. Total from the tape must equal the sum of cash and checks in hand. At the bottom of the tape the preparer affixes their initials and current date.
- c. If checks not cashable (not signed or amount not filled in, etc.) pull the check and contact the customer to resolve.
- d. Checks and cash must be delivered to the deposit preparer with a log or machine tape.
- e. Checks and cash are taken to the bank for deposit, retain deposit receipt and deposit slip copy and verify that they agree before leaving the bank.
- f. Monthly reports are generated in detail of revenue and expenditures and should be reviewed by the park manager or association treasurer.
- g. Deposits should be made the same day they are taken from the park store. No deposits should be taken home or deposited at a later date.

20. Volunteers

Volunteers who are given duties related to cash handling shall be subject to the same cash handling controls, procedures and training as regular park or Society employees and shall be held to the same standard of competence.

21. Special Events

Special Events are defined as cash handling events, which take place in or away from the park or store and may require transporting a change fund and the revenue collected during the event. This will apply to fundraisers, raffles, fairs, RV shows, off-site events and auctions.

It is the responsibility of the board/president to implement and maintain an effective and efficient system of internal controls. It is the responsibility of the employees and volunteers of the Society to use the controls. There may be slight variations in procedures, but here are some recommended key controls to have all staff and volunteers adhere to:

- a. All movement of cash shall be documented in the safe log.
- b. All cash transactions shall have a receipt retained for audit purposes.
- c. Tellers should be responsible for their collections, receipts and end-of-shift reconciliation report.
- d. Any individual acting in the capacity of teller shall not prepare or have access to the final deposit and/or revenue report.
- e. No foreign checks, even those marked payable in US funds, shall be accepted.
- f. Deposits shall be counted in dual control by staff, park staff and/or a volunteer. The person verifying the deposit shall place their initials on the deposit slip documenting a second count and verification of amount written on the deposit slip.

**Article Ten.**

**Salaries**

1. The Board of Directors shall hire and fix the compensation of any and all employees which they, in their discretion, may determine to be necessary in the conduct of the business of the Society.

## **Article Eleven.**

### **Committees**

1. All committees of this Society shall be appointed by the president and their term of office shall be for a period of one year or less if sooner terminated by the actions of the board.
2. The permanent committees shall be:
  - a. Budget Committee
  - b. Finance Committee
  - c. Audit Committee

## **Article Twelve.**

### **Dues**

1. The dues of this Society shall be voted upon by the Board from time to time and set by the Board from time to time. Said dues shall be due on June 1 of each calendar year.

## **Article Thirteen.**

### **Amendments**

1. These By-Laws may be altered, amended, repealed or added to by an affirmative vote of not less than a quorum of members.

**Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**April 13, 2010**

- I. Attendance: Jean McNary, Jim Velten, Steve Creamer, Dale Beremand, John Griffin, George Webb, Jessica Hoag; Guests: John DeLancett, Mary Beremand, Paul Remis, Deborah Riddle, Nina Mattei, Jean Creamer.
- II. **Meeting called to order at 6:53 p.m.** Minutes from the meeting on March 9, 2010 were reviewed. Motion made by Steve Creamer to accept the minutes, Jim Velton seconded, motion passed.
- III. Reports of Officers
  - A. President –Brain storming ideas to improve the reenactment. Jean McNary will copy a list of suggestions made by Tracey to improve the reenactment. May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting will be devoted to brainstorming on saving. The next Work Day for the park will be April 17 & 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - B. Vice President – Steve Rinck, Dale and Mary Beremand went to a presentation by Dr. Weisman regarding the Seminole War. Discussion was also made regarding meals and possible suggestions, such as the suppliers for Fort Cooper CSO in Inverness.
  - C. Treasurer – Recommendation was made to change banks, which has been done. SunTrust checking is now \$0.00. However, a 12-month CD remains for \$14,000.00. Regions will now be the bank used. Balance at Regions is now \$5,452.07. Discussion made regarding the advertising grant. The TDC will meet Thursday, April 22, 2010 and Jean McNary and Steve Rinck will be attending. New requirements have been made and Jean has accommodated these requests. Motion made by Steve Creamer to accept the balance sheet, John Griffin seconded, motion passed.
  - D. Secretary – There are thirty-seven fans on the DBS Facebook page. People are commenting and posting pictures.
- IV. Report of Park Manager
  - A. The Park Service is putting out a coffee table book, with an approximate cost of \$29.00 plus \$4.00 for shipping. This is for the history of the Park Service. Bob will get more information on this. Bob will also send out an email with additional information. No budget cuts, at this point. Updates were discussed regarding the waterline. The bridge contractor needs assistance. Two requests made to make George Webb's position a Park Service Specialist position. George Webb discussed Bob Baker's retirement.
- V. Committee Reports

- A. Executive Assistant – Jean McNary and Jim Velten presented the Sumter County TDC Final Report 2009 Grant. The motion was made by Steve Creamer for Dade Battlefield Society to apply for the TDC Grant for the July 1, 2010 through July 1, 2011 fiscal year, seconded by George Webb, motion passed.
- B. Nomination – Jerry Robertson and John Griffin, nothing to report at this time.
- C. Swap Meet – Letter has been drafted to go out to the participants regarding the change of date. Modifications have been made to the flyer regarding the sutlers and vendors.
- D. Photo Book – The committee reviewed the DVD version versus the hard copy book. Discussion made regarding the cost effectiveness of the DVD version. Labels, covers, jewel cases and DVDs. Jean Creamer created both the DVD and hard cover book. She is requesting that she only be reimbursed for her cost to create the products. Motion made by Jean McNary that the DBS purchase the necessary materials needed to create a commemorative DVD for the 2010 reenactment with a purchasing cap of \$150.00, seconded by Jessica Hoag, motion passed.

## **VI. Old business**

- A. Jessica Hoag discussed the possibility of using [www.surveymonkey.com](http://www.surveymonkey.com) to gather data regarding the park and/or the reenactment. Discussion made regarding the pros and the cons. Positive feedback given and Jessica will proceed with getting information using this technology. Jean McNary will consider questions to use on the survey.
- B. Other – Steve Creamer suggested that a licensing agreement be created with Jean Creamer to retain the rights to the commemorative DVD. John DeLancett suggested that a letter be written up with the specifics regarding ownership between Jean Creamer and DBS.

## **VII. New Business**

- A. “A Road Back in Time” – George Webb discussed the living history presentation. Motion made by Steve Creamer to go forward with the “A Road Back in Time” project, seconded by Jessica Hoag, motion passed.
- B. Printing Possibilities – Nina Mattei presented and discussed printing possibilities. Discussion was made creating a commemorative item for the 175<sup>th</sup> reenactment.
- C. Illuminated Sign Sources – discussion made regarding the use of an illuminated sign for the reenactment. Suggestions made to check with the Department of Transportation, Emergency Management, the Sheriff’s Office, Roads & Maintenance. The technical name is Variable Message Boards.
- D. Information on Food, Parking, Powder, Advertising, and Printing – Consideration should be made to the amount of funds on hand and the cost of the reenactment. Further discussion tabled.

E. Other – Paul Remis discussed an Armed Forces Day in Webster. This event would honor and represent past and present Armed Forces soldiers.

**VIII.** Good and Welfare - tabled

**IX.** Adjournment – Motion made by Steve Creamer, seconded by Jessica Hoag, motion passed – **Meeting adjourned 9:14p.m.**

**Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**August 10, 2010**

- I.** Attendance: Steve Rinck, Jean McNary, Steave Creamer, George Webb, Jim Velten, Jerry Robertson, Jessica Hoag, Karl Baier; Guests: John DeLancett, Bruce Whiting, Paul Remis, Nina Mattei, Debbie Riddle.
- II.** **Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m.** Minutes from the meeting on July 13, 2010 were reviewed. Motion made by Steve Creamer to accept the minutes, George Webb seconded, motion passed.
- III.** Reports of Officers
  - A.** President – Discussed the number of paying members for this year. A number of preregistrations have been received. John McCoy has been hired to provide food. The cost of the food will be reduced by approximately \$1,000 less than last year. More copies of Dade's Command will be ordered. They have been selling very well. There are only twenty-eight copies left in the warehouse. Steve Rinck will be contacting the publisher. WWII was very successful and will be reported on later in the meeting. Thanks were offered to all members who helped with this event. Submissions are encouraged for the newsletter. The next deadline for the newsletter will be August 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - B.** Vice President – Not present.
  - C.** Treasurer – Review Programs/Projects Report (WWII Day). Total profit for WWII Day was \$303.34. Review of the balance sheet as of August 10, 2010 with comparisons from last year. Total Liabilities and Equity on balance is \$49,689.39. Motion made to accept the balance sheet by Steve Creamer, seconded by Jessica Hoag, motion passed.
  - D.** Secretary – Facebook has 74 fans.
- IV.** Report of Park Manager
  - A.** Steve Rinck introduced the new Park Manager, Bruce Whiting. Bruce is from Indiana, worked for the Indiana DNR for thirty years, in various positions. He is here with his wife Anna and daughter Mia. Review of the WWII Day event was given. Bruce asked if the WWII event was going to be continued. The Society has all intentions for the event to continue. Bruce also suggested getting power out to the gazebo. A quote was obtained to run power out to the gazebo for \$1,165. This district office will not budget for this project. Bruce will also be trying to get some of the local community to volunteer at the park. Steve Rinck stated he wanted to accompany Bruce when he goes out into the community.



## V. Committee Reports

- A. Executive Assistant – Jean McNary discussed the progress with the grant. The process of grant approval is as follows: the grant is submitted to the Chamber, then to the County representative, then it goes to the TDC. The next TDC meeting will be held in October. Jerry Robertson wanted to know about information about a grant for Music in the Park. Jean has worked on a proposed grant application for the Music in the Park event. **Motion made to apply for the TDC grant for the Music in the Park event by Jerry Robertson, seconded by Steve Creamer, motion passed.**
- B. Swap Meet – John DeLancett has had one contact for the Swap Meet. An advertisement was placed in Smoke & Fire. A short telephone conference was suggested for advertising. Discussion was made regarding possible outlets for advertising.
- C. Festival in the Park – Jerry Robertson discussed issues with the Music in the Park event. Electricity and parking issues. Four bands have been scheduled for the event. The total cost for entertainment will be \$3,000. A suggestion made to sell food & drinks for the event. Motion made for the board to approve the expenditure for electricity for the gazebo, not to exceed, \$1,500 by Jerry Robertson, Steve Creamer seconded, motion passed. Steve Rinck wanted to extend kudos to Jerry Robertson for continuing to work on the Music in the Park event.

## VI. Old Business

- A. TABLED Items from Last Meeting – from the discussion at the last meeting, approximately \$6000 has been saved from the adjustment of reenactment items.
  - i. Questions for Online Survey – Steve Rinck explained that questions would need to be discussed regarding the survey. Suggested questions: How far did you travel? What food/gas/lodging? What did you like? What did you dislike? How did you learn of the event? Was your experience a good value for the cost? Would you recommend it to others? Do you plan on attending again in the future? Would you like email updates about the Park?
  - ii. Contributing Membership – Review of Article Three in the Bylaws. Discussion made regarding the distribution of the newsletter. Suggestion made to have the reenactors pay their ten dollar membership fee. Nina Mattei suggested recreating Dade's regiment. Karl Baier brought up that this avenue had been tried before. Motion made to table this discussion by Karl Baier, seconded by Jean McNary, seven in favor, one nay, motion passed.
- B. Reconsideration of Pyrotechnics – Steve Rinck wrote a letter to Clement Lindsey expressing that we would not have need of his services. Jean McNary suggested that we should run this by the Battle Coordinator. Steve will contact Ray Giron to let him know of the changes. The letter will be sent out by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**VII. New Business**

- A. Medallions** – Contact has been made with Nancy Ayotte at Fugawee 300 medallions at \$1,272 with shipping included. If adding plating with color, it would cost an additional \$75. Motion made to use authorize Fugawee to produce 300, two inch, medallions with bronze plating for \$1,340 by Steve Creamer, seconded by Jim Velten, discussion made, seven in favor, one nay, motion passed.
- B. Parking Options Update** – Steve Rinck has spoken with Mrs. Sells. After his discussion, Mrs. Sells was aware that the Society was exploring other options, she suggested we explore those options. Bruce Whiting went and spoke with Mrs. Sells, who after the discussion, has left the option open for using her property. Jerry Robertson discussed property less than 500ft from the park that is approximately sixty acres. Park Manager Whiting will write a letter to the property owner regarding its possible use as a parking location for public events.
- C. Other** – There will be a Bushnell Fall Festival this year, October 16, 2010. Suggestions made to have a presence either at the Bushnell Historical Society's building and/or at the parade. Jessica Hoag will investigate and provide more information at the September meeting.

**VIII. Good and Welfare** – Steve Creamer has received an additional certification for safety.

**XIII. Adjournment** – Motion made for adjournment by Steve Creamer, seconded by Jerry Robertson, motion passed – **Meeting adjourned 8:56p.m.**

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR  
C - 1130  
ATLANTA, GA 30301

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: FEB 25 1992

DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY INC  
PO BOX 309 SOUTH BATTLEFIELD DR  
BURNELL, FL 33513-0309

Employer Identification Number:

59-2820082

Contact Person:

ROBERTA VAN HETER

Contact Telephone Number:

(404) 331-0927

Our Letter Dated:

September 7, 1988

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(2).

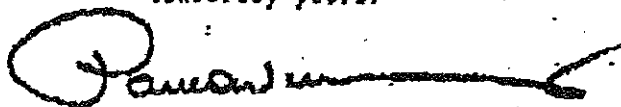
Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(2) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(2) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



Paul Williams  
District Director

**Officers & Board Members 2010-2011**  
**Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.**

**Officers**

<b>President:</b>	Steven Rinck (2010-2012) 37421 Hickory Hill Lane Dade City, FL 33525	Home: 352-534-0002 Cell: 813-317-4248 Email: nrinck@yahoo.com
<b>VicePresident:</b>	Preston Beremand (2010-2012) 6119 Frisco Road Brooksville, FL 34602	Home: 352-797-5561 Email: dabmab60@att.net
<b>Secretary:</b>	Jessica Hoag (2010-2012) 7001 CR -575 Bushnell, FL 33513	Home: 352-793-4127 Cell: 352-457-6247 Email: hoagjs@aol.com
<b>Treasurer:</b>	James Velten (2009-2011) 6898 CR 631 Bushnell, FL 33513-8588	Cell: 352-603-4845 Home: 352-568-2183 Email: veltenjm@embarqmail.com
<b>Board Member:</b>	Karl Baier (2009-2011) 23130 SW Indian Hill Dunnellon, FL 34431	Cell: 352-682-5419 Email: Kabaier777@aol.com
<b>Board Member</b>	Jean McNary (2009-2011) 36905 Church Avenue Dade City, FL 33525	Home: 352-567-2596 Cell: 561-398-5253 Work: 813-794-6100 Email: mcnary1213@embarqmail.com
<b>Board Member</b>	Gerald Robertson (2010-2012) P.O. Box 303 Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538	Home: 352-568-2406 Cell# 352-254-0205 Email: magnum200@embarqmail.com
<b>Board Member:</b>	Steve Creamer (2009-2011) 6232 E Joyce Lane Inverness, FL 34452	Home: 352-637-6605 Email: steven34452@hotmail.com
<b>Board Member:</b>	John Griffin (2010-2012) 204 First Ave Groveland, FL 34736	Cell: 352-223-0085 Email: Tamjo37@embarqmail.com
<b>Board Member:</b>	George Webb (2009-2011) 304 Jumper Drive S. Bushnell, FL 33513	Cell: 352-418-2813(work) Home: 352-303-9055 Email: george.webb@dep.state.fl.us
<b>Newsletter Editor:</b>	John DeLancett 4713 Jetty Street Orlando, FL 32817	Home: 407-644-8253 frentapr@embarqmail.com

(No officer or member of the board receives a salary).

**Llason between CSO and State of Florida**

<b>Park Manager:</b>	<b>Bruce Whiting</b> 7200 CR 603 Bushnell, FL 33513	<b>Cell: 352-418-2010</b> <b>Park: 352-793-4781</b> <b>Bruce.Whiting@dep.state.fl.us</b>
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Manning, Emery & Costello, P.A.  
918 West Dixie Avenue  
Leesburg, FL 34748

Dade Battlefield Society, Inc.  
7200 CR 603  
Bushnell, FL 33513

Form **990-EZ****Short Form****Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

OMB No. 1545-1150

**2008**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**Open to Public Inspection**

<b>A</b> For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning <u>Jul 1</u> , 2008, and ending <u>Jun 30</u> , 2009	
<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Termination <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <u>DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC.</u> Number and street (or P.O. box, if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <u>7200 CR 603</u> City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 <u>BUSHNELL FL 33513</u>
<b>D</b> Employer identification number <u>59-2820082</u>	<b>E</b> Telephone number <u>(352) 568-2183</u>
<b>F</b> Group Exemption Number <u>                    </u> ►	
<b>G</b> Accounting method: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Accrual Other (specify) ► <u>                    </u>	
<b>H</b> Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).	
<b>I</b> Website: ► <u>N/A</u>	
<b>J</b> Organization type (check only one) — <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)3 (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527	
<b>K</b> Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.	
<b>L</b> Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts; if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ <u>                    </u> ► \$ <u>39,952.</u>	

<b>Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances</b> (See the instructions for Part I.)	
<b>REVENUE</b>	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received <u>                    </u> <b>1</b>
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts <u>                    </u> <b>2</b>
	3 Membership dues and assessments <u>                    </u> <b>3</b> <u>2,909.</u>
	4 Investment income <u>                    </u> <b>4</b>
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory <u>                    </u> <b>5a</b>
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses <u>                    </u> <b>5b</b>
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (att sch) <u>                    </u> <b>5c</b>
	6 Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/> <b>6</b>
	a Gross revenue (not including \$ <u>                    </u> of contributions reported on line 1) <u>                    </u> <b>6a</b> <u>37,043.</u>
b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses <u>                    </u> <b>6b</b>	
c Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a) <u>                    </u> <b>6c</b> <u>37,043.</u>	
7a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances <u>                    </u> <b>7a</b>	
b Less: cost of goods sold <u>                    </u> <b>7b</b>	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a) <u>                    </u> <b>7c</b>	
8 Other revenue (describe ► <u>                    </u> ) <u>                    </u> <b>8</b>	
9 <b>Total revenue</b> (add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8) <u>                    </u> <b>9</b> <u>39,952.</u>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule) <u>                    </u> <b>10</b>
	11 Benefits paid to or for members <u>                    </u> <b>11</b>
	12 Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits <u>                    </u> <b>12</b>
	13 Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors <u>                    </u> <b>13</b> <u>380.</u>
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance <u>                    </u> <b>14</b> <u>1,000.</u>
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping <u>                    </u> <b>15</b> <u>7,753.</u>
	16 Other expenses (describe ► <u>See Other Expenses Statement</u> ) <u>                    </u> <b>16</b> <u>26,281.</u>
17 <b>Total expenses</b> (add lines 10 through 16) <u>                    </u> <b>17</b> <u>35,414.</u>	
18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9) <u>                    </u> <b>18</b> <u>4,538.</u>	
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return) <u>                    </u> <b>19</b> <u>-927.</u>
	20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation) <u>                    </u> <b>20</b>
	21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20 <u>                    </u> <b>21</b> <u>3,611.</u>

<b>Part II Balance Sheets.</b> If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ. (See the instructions for Part II.)		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments <u>                    </u>		<u>36,112.</u>	<u>38,239.</u>
23 Land and buildings <u>                    </u>		<u>0.</u>	<u>0.</u>
24 Other assets (describe ► <u>See L-24 Stmt</u> ) <u>                    </u>		<u>17,806.</u>	<u>20,974.</u>
25 <b>Total assets</b> <u>                    </u>		<u>53,918.</u>	<u>59,213.</u>
26 <b>Total liabilities</b> (describe ► <u>See L-26 Stmt</u> ) <u>                    </u>		<u>54,845.</u>	<u>55,602.</u>
27 <b>Net assets or fund balances</b> (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) <u>                    </u>		<u>-927.</u>	<u>3,611.</u>

BAA For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the instructions for Form 990.

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**Part III** Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

## Expenses

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? **TO PROVIDE EDUCATION ON THE SECOND SEMINOLE WAR AND FLORIDA HISTORY**  
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, or other relevant information for each program title.

(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts; optional for others.)

28 PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDE EDUCATION OF OUR CITIZENS ON THE SECOND  
SEMINOLE WAR AS WELL AS FLORIDA HISTORY AND YEARLY WAR REENACTMENTS.

(Grants \$ 0.) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here

28a	5,911.
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(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . . .

29a

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(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . . . ☐

30 a

31 Other program services (attach schedule)

(Grants \$ ) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . . . . ☐

31a

32 **Total program service expenses** (add lines 28a through 31a).....

32	5,911.
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<b>Part IV</b>	<b>List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees.</b> (List each one even if not compensated. See the instrs.)
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**Part V Other Information** (Note the statement requirement in General Instruction V.)

	Yes	No
<b>33</b> Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity	<b>33</b>	X
<b>34</b> Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes	<b>34</b>	X
<b>35</b> If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	<b>35a</b>	X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year?	<b>35b</b>	
<b>36</b> Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N	<b>36</b>	X
<b>37a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions	<b>37a</b> 0.	
<b>b</b> Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	<b>37b</b>	X
<b>38a</b> Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?	<b>38a</b>	X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	<b>38b</b>	
<b>39</b> 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	<b>39a</b>	
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	<b>39b</b>	
<b>40a</b> 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under:		
section 4911; section 4912; section 4955		
<b>b</b> 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I	<b>40b</b>	X
<b>c</b> Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
<b>d</b> Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
<b>e</b> All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T	<b>40e</b>	X
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed		

**42a** The books are in care of JAMES VELTEN Telephone no. (352) 603-4845  
 Located at 6898 CR 631 BUSHNELL FL ZIP + 4 33513

**b** At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?  
 If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country:

	Yes	No
<b>42b</b>		X
<b>42c</b>		X

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.

**c** At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country:

**43** Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here ☐ and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year **43**

	Yes	No
<b>44</b> Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	<b>44</b>	X
<b>45</b> Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	<b>45</b>	X



**Part VI** **Section 501(c)(3) organizations only.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46-49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

	Yes	No
<b>46</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I .....	<b>46</b>	X
<b>47</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II .....	<b>47</b>	X
<b>48</b> Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E .....	<b>48</b>	X
<b>49a</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? .....	<b>49a</b>	X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization? .....	<b>49b</b>	

**50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
NONE				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 .....				

**51** Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None.'

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		
Total number of other independent contractors receiving over \$100,000 .....		

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

Date

Type or print name and title.

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature

Date

Check if self-employed ☐

Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions)

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4

Manning, Emery, &amp; Costello, P.A.

918 W. Dixie Ave.

Leesburg

FL 34748

EIN

Phone no. (352) 728-4815

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

Yes No

BAA

Form 990-EZ (2008)

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**

## Public Charity Status and Public Support

**To be completed by all section 501 (c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.**

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ▶ See separate instructions.

# 2008

## Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC.

Employer identification number

59-2820082

<b>Part I</b>	<b>Reason for Public Charity Status</b> (All organizations must complete this part.) (see instructions)
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The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **one** organization.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** (Attach Schedule H.)
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33-1/3 % of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions — subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33-1/3 % of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).** (see instructions)
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h.
- a ☐ Type I      b ☐ Type II      c ☐ Type III — Functionally integrated      d ☐ Type III— Other
- e ☐ By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2).
- f ☐ If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box \_\_\_\_\_
- a ☐ Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

(i) a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization? .....

(ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above?

(iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

#### h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports.

	Yes	No
11 g (i)		
11 g (ii)		
11 g (iii)		

[illegible]

**BAA** For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990. Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include 'unusual grants'.)		12,863.	32,331.	33,184.	1,888.	80,266.
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge						
4 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1-3		12,863.	32,331.	33,184.	1,888.	80,266.
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						80,266.

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4		12,863.	32,331.	33,184.	1,888.	80,266.
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources		300.	510.			810.
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						81,076.
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	99.00 %
15 Public support percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	97.72 %
16a <b>33-1/3 support test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b <b>33-1/3 support test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17a <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization.	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18 <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

**Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include 'unusual grants'.) . . . . .						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in a activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose . . . . .						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 . . . . .						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf . . . . .						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge . . . . .						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1-5 . . . . .						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, 3 received from disqualified persons . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b . . . . .						
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.) . . . . .						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 . . . . .						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . . . .						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 . . . . .						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b . . . . .						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on . . . . .						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.) . . . . .						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (add lns 9, 10c, 11, and 12.) . . . . .						
<b>14 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	15	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g . . . . .	16	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f)) . . . . .	17	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h . . . . .	18	%
<b>19a 33-1/3 support tests – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33-1/3 support tests – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>20 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions . . . . . ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

**Part IV** **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. (see instructions)



**Part II Fundraising Events.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

	(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events (Add col. (a) through col. (c))
	(event type)	(event type)	NONE (total number)	
<b>REVENUE</b>				
1 Gross receipts .....				
2 Less: Charitable contributions .....				
3 Gross revenue (line 1 minus line 2) .....				
<b>DIRECT EXPENSES</b>				
4 Cash prizes .....				
5 Non-cash prizes .....				
6 Rent/facility costs .....				
7 Other direct expenses .....				
8 Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 7 in column (d) .....				
9 Net income summary. Combine lines 3 and 8 in column (d) .....				

**Part III Gaming.** Complete if the organization answered 'Yes' to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

	(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (Add col. (a) through col. (c))
<b>REVENUE</b>				
1 Gross revenue .....				
<b>DIRECT EXPENSES</b>				
2 Cash prizes .....				
3 Non-cash prizes .....				
4 Rent/facility costs .....				
5 Other direct expenses .....				
6 Volunteer labor .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) .....				
8 Net gaming income summary. Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d) .....				

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: \_\_\_\_\_

a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? .....

b If 'No,' Explain:

10 a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? .....

b If 'Yes,' Explain:

11 Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers? .....

12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? .....

	YES	NO
9 a		
10 a		
11		
12		

**13** Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in:

- a** The organization's facility ..... **13a** %
- b** An outside facility ..... **13b** %

**14** Provide the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records:

Name: ▶ .....

Address: ▶ .....

**15a** Does the organization have a contact with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ..... **15a**

- b** If 'Yes,' enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization \$ ..... and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party \$ .....

**c** If 'Yes,' enter name and address:

Name: ▶ .....

Address: ▶ .....

**16** Gaming manager information

Name: ▶ .....

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ .....

Description of services provided: ▶ .....

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor**17** Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ..... **17a**

- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year: ▶ \$ .....



Form 990-EZ  
Part II

Other Assets and Liabilities

2008

Name as Shown on Return

DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY, INC.

Employer Identification No.

59-2820082

Line 24 - Other Assets:	Beginning of Year	End of Year
FURNITURE, FIXTURES & EQU	15,362.	16,378.
INVENTORY	2,444.	4,596.
Totals to Form 990-EZ, Part II, line 24 .....	17,806.	20,974.

Line 26 - Total Liabilities:	Beginning of Year	End of Year
SALES TAX PAYABLE	51.	53.
PAID IN CAPITAL	47,924.	47,924.
RETAINED EARNINGS	6,870.	6,870.
NOTE PAYABLE		755.
Totals to Form 990-EZ, Part II, line 26 .....	54,845.	55,602.

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16

**Other Expenses Statement**

Other expenses (describe)

DUES	300.
EQUIPMENT RENTAL	1,506.
INSURANCE	462.
PURCHASES	2,525.
TRAVEL	763.
BANK FEES	113.
TAXES & LICENSE	110.
CONTRACT LABOR	6,540.
ADVERTISING EXPENSE	13,962.

Total	26,281.
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INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
DISTRICT DIRECTOR  
C - 1130  
ATLANTA, GA 30301

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: FEB 25 1992

DADE BATTLEFIELD SOCIETY INC  
PO BOX 309 SOUTH BATTLEFIELD DR  
BURNELL, FL 33513-0309

Employer Identification Number:  
59-2820082  
Contact Person:  
ROBERTA VAN METER  
Contact Telephone Number:  
(404) 331-0927

Our Letter Dated:  
September 7, 1988  
Addendum Applies:  
No

Dear Applicant:

This modifies our letter of the above date in which we stated that you would be treated as an organization that is not a private foundation until the expiration of your advance ruling period.

Your exempt status under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3) is still in effect. Based on the information you submitted, we have determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are an organization of the type described in section 509(a)(2).

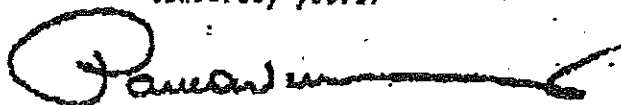
Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(2) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(2) organization.

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the addendum enclosed is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your private foundation status, please keep it in your permanent records.

If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown above.

Sincerely yours,



Paul Williams  
District Director